

REMARKS

In light of the above amendments and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Claims 38-47 are pending in this application.

Claims 38-47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being unpatentable over Ginter et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,892,900).

The present claims now recite "transmitting the encrypted content stored in the content server, the content key and the use condition through a user terminal to a player in response to a request from a user." (Claims 38 and 43) User Terminal 50 and Player 1 are shown in Figure 1. In this manner, the content is securely downloaded to a portable player where it can be decrypted. Applicants' respectfully assert that Ginter does not disclose an analogous player or transmitting the content through a user terminal to the player as required in the present claims.

Accordingly, for at least this reason, Ginter fails to anticipate the present invention and the rejected claims should now be allowed.

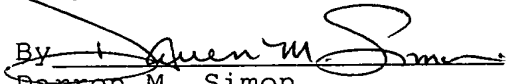
As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he/she telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

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